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Rides the Rails with Death as he Cracks an



in THE CASE OF THE MOVIE STAR'S DOUBLE



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THE CALM-...WENDY

NESS AROUND THE OFFICE WAS GETTING ON MY NERVES

WASN'T EVEN COM-PLAINING ABOUT ANY THING! WE'D WORKED STEADILY UNTIL EVERY THING WAS UP TO DATE! THREE DAYS OF THIS AND I WAS

RESTLESS! I WANTED ACTION! WENDY GOT A CALL, AND SOME-THE REAL MCCOY ... BUT I NEVER GUESSED THAT I WOULD LAND SMACK IN THE MIDDLE OF A PLOT CALCULATED TO TURN A HOLLY-WOOD SCENARIO WRITER GREEN WITH ENVY AND CERTAIN OTHER CHARACTERS WHITE WITH THE CHILL OF DEATH ...











BUT THE POINT IS - WELL, WE'RE IN SOME KIND OF A JAM, AND CAN'T FIGURE IT ... THERE'S A GIRL IMPER-SONATING TERRY AND GETTING AWAY WITH IT. WHY WHAT'S SHE UP TO! SHE'S FOOLED PLENTY OF PEOPLE -TOO MANY-EVEN TERRY'S FRIENDS!



DON'T WANT BAD THIS IMPOSTOR PUBLICITY! YOU MUST HAVE UNDERSTAND THAT! LEARNED THAT NEED TO KNOW. WE ARE SHIPPING FIRST IF SHE'S PULLING ANYTHING THEEBAW TO THE WE BOUGHT A CROOKED...AND WE'VE SUDDENLY GOT A CHANCE CAN RIDE IN THE TO FIND OUT. BAGGAGE CAR, ALTHOUGH WE ARE FLYING OUT ...













TWENTY MINUTES LATER, I WAS AT GRAND CENTRAL!

THEY LEFT NEW YORK AS THE FRONT END OF THE

CAR WITH A BAGGAGE SECTION! ONLY PASSENGERS

CINDE WILTON, WITH THEEBAW IN TOW, DREW A CROWD ..

THE THROUGH COACHES WERE A NEW SPEED-UP PLAN!

KNICKERBOCKER LIMITED! THERE WAS A COMBINED CLUB

WERE ALLOWED THROUGH THE TRAIN GATE, BUT EVEN SO

I DIDN'T BAT AN EYE WHEN WILTON PASSED ME ON THE WAY OUT OF THE STATION, NOR OID HE! IF I CAN SPOT BARTON SILVER

AND THE PHONY TERRY GETTING
ABOARD, I MAY BE ABLE TO
LOCATE THEIR QUARTERS
WITHOUT ASKING! HMMM!
I GUESS THE OBSERVATION
CAR'S MY BEST
BET!
BET!

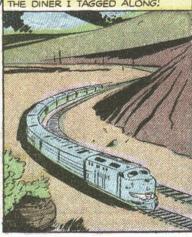








THE TRAIN ROLLED ALONG THE HUDSON, BUT I DIDN'T GET A GLIMPSE OF THE PHONY DEANE UNTIL THE LAST CALL FOR DINNER! WHEN SHE SHOWED ON THE WAY TO THE DINER I TAGGED ALONG!









WHEELS WERE BUZZING IN MY HEAD! WHOEVER THE IMPOSTOR WAS, SHE MUST HAVE SPENT END-LESS HOURS WATCHING TERRY DEANE ON THE SCREEN, CATCHING AND ACQUIRING EVERY INFLECTION OF VOICE EVERY CHARACTERISTIC GESTURE! WHAT AN ACTING JOB THAT CALLED FOR! AND SHE COULDN'T LET UP-NOT FOR A MINUTE! I BECAME MORE AND MORE INTRIGUED AS I WATCHED HER IN THE DINER! SHE SEEMED TO BE WAITING FOR SOME-ONE, PROBABLY BARTON SILVER! I PACED MY MEAL TO HERS AND WHEN SHE AROSE, I FOLLOWED HER OUT! AND IN THE NEXT CAR WE CAME UPON-YOU GUESSED IT-BARTON SILVER!









WAS FUN WATCHING THAT DAME WORK KNOW EACH OTHER?" LINE TO ALREADY PULLED ON HER! BUT IT GRIPED ME TO SEE SILVER'S SECRETARY FALL FOR IT, UNTIL I REALIZED THAT ELMER DUNCAN HAD HAD HIS MIND MADE UP FOR HIM SO OFTEN THAT HE DIDN'T HAVE ONE OF HIS OWN, SO IT OBVIOUSLY THE MASTING HER TIME!



YOU LOOK LONELY.



BIG JOE DRUKE WAS ONE OF THE MANY SMALL-TIME RACKETEERS I KEPT MENTALLY TABBED! HE GOT HIS NAME, NOT FROM HIS SIZE, BLIT FROM HIS ABILITY TO ROLL TENS IN CRAP GAMES! I COULDN'T IMAGINE WHAT HE WAS DOING ON THE KNICKERBOCKER LIMITED! BROOKLYN WAS HIS STAMPING GROUND! MAYBE HE WAS ON SOMETHING BIGGER THAN DICE AND

NUMBERS! HE

WATCHING ...



WHY ...

AH ... I

HELL

PLAY ART!



WAS CURIOUS, BUT NOT ENOUGH TO LOSE ANY SLEEP OVER IT! AS A MATTER OF FACT, I DIDN'T WAKE UP EVEN WHEN THE TRAIN DROPPED SOME CARS AT CLEVE-LAND ... OR WHEN WE ROLLED INTO CHICAGO AT 6:15 IN THE MORNING! BY THE TIME THE PORTER POUNDED ON MY DOOR, WE WERE PULLING OUT FOR OMAHA AT ABOUT 8:15 ...



TOO BAD WE AIN'T ON THE ROCK ISLAND, SO YOU COULD WAVE TO YOUR OLD PALS IN JOLIET!

LAY OFF, ART!
I'M IN THIS
DEAL ALL THE
WAY! YOU KNOW
THAT! BESIDES,
HERE COMES
THAT TIN HORN
GUMSHOE!

AHA! THE CANASTA TWINS-WONDER HOW THEIR LITTLE GAME WORKED OUT LAST THE FAST TRAIN REALLY LOOPED IT ACROSS THE PRAIRIES INTO OMAHA... WHEN WE REACHED NORTH PLATTE, I SET MY WATCH BACK TO MOUNTAIN TIME! LATER, I WATCHED THE GIRL COME INTO THE DINER AND AFTERWARDS GO FORWARD TO THE CLUB CAR...











MISS PHONY HAD SOMETHING ON HER MIND, AND IT WASN'T DUNCAN! ALL HE GOT WAS A COLD STARE AS SHE LEFT! I FOLLOWED LEISURELY, AND AS SHE APPROACHED COMPARTMENT "B," I UNDERSTOOD HER ACTIONS! WITH DUNCAN GONE, HERE WAS HER CHANCE TO CATCH BARTON SILVER ALONE...















IT SEEMED TO ME THAT THIS BIT OF BY-PLAY WAS TOO ELABORATELY STAGED TO BE AN ACCIDENT! WAS IT POSSIBLE THAT THE GIRL ACTUALLY KNEW THESE MUGS BUT COULDN'T ACKNOWLEDGE IT PUBLICLY? PERHAPS SHE HAD WRITTENNOT AN AUTOGRAPH—BUT A MESSAGE! LATER, I WISHED I HAD PLAYED THIS HUNCH AND TAILED FINELLI AND DRUKE! INSTEAD, I FOLLOWED THE GIRL!



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MEANWHILE, I HAD FOLLOWED THE GIRL ALL THE WAY BACK TO THE OBSERVATION CAR AND WASTED MY TIME LISTENING TO A LOT OF SMALL TALK.



WHAT HARPENED TO NO, SIR! BUT THE CARD MAYBE THEY PLAYERS, PORTER? MOVED UP THEY STILL INTO THE CLUB AROUND? CAR!



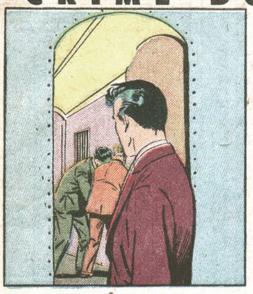




NOT A PEEP OUT OF

HIM!







AT THAT MOMENT WE HIT A CURVE AND THE LURCHING OF THE TRAIN THREW ME OFF BALANCE! INSTANTLY FINELLI AND DRUKE WERE SWARMING ALL OVER ME! THE GUN WAS KNOCKED OUT OF MY HAND AND...



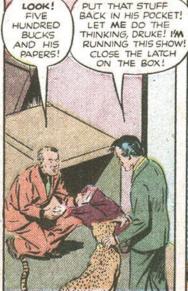
SUDDENLY, I WENT OUT LIKE A LIGHT...



HEY!
THAT
THING'S
WILD!
DON'T...

SHUT UP! IT'S
TAME! I'LL
HANDLE IT!
GET THAT MUG
INTO THE CRATEQUICK!

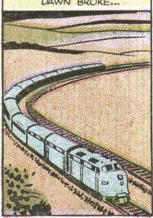








THE TRAIN WAS DUE IN OGDEN, UTAH, ABOUT 7A.M. AND IID TOLD THE PORTER TO MAKE SURE I WAS UP...50 THINGS WERE REALLY WORKING TO A CLIMAX AS DAWN BROKE...















JUMP, THEEBAW! THAT'S THE BOY ... OH, YOU'RE A NEW MAN! THE CHEETAH IS TAME! YOU WON'T NEED TO PUT HIM IN HIS BOX FOR THE DAYLIGHT RIDE TO A .! DON'T KNOW HOW HE GOT

IT'S OKAY, MISS DEANE! HE AND I HAVE TRAVELED TO-GETHER BEFORE I RECOGNIZED HIS KENNEL WHEN I CAME ON!



I WAS WIDE AWAKE AND LISTENING ... BUT I COULN'T TALK ... I TRIED TO KICK, BUT THE TRAIN JOLTED AND MOVED! IT WASN'T UNTIL ALMOST NOON THAT THE CONDUCTOR SHOWED

UP AS WE WERE ROLLING ACROSS THE DESERT ...

SO THAT'S THE OVERGROWN CAT THAT RACED THROUGH THE TRAIN COLLECTING LAWSUITS FOR THE RAIL ROAD! YOU SAY HE'S SMART-HE MUST BE TO CLAMP THAT BOX

THAT IS ODD: SAY, MAY-GOT HIM OUT, BUT WHY CLAMP THE BOX SHUT





WE HEADED FOR SILVER'S ROOM WHILE I EXPLAINED ... |

NO, SIR, NO SOUND FROM EITHER OF THEM THIS MORNING, BUT MR. SILVER NEVER WANTS TO BE DISTURBED,

WELL THIS TIME HE'S GOT TO BE!



NOBODY IN EITHER ROOM! ISN'T PACKED, BUT I DON'T SEE ...



... SHOT THROUGH THE HEART ... AND DUNCAN MISSING WITH THE GUN PLANTED ON HIS BODY IN CASE HE'S FOUND!

WORD ABOUT THIS TO ANYBODY, PORTER! I'LL LOCK THIS ROOM AND WIRE THE LOS ANGELES POLICE TO MEET US!

NOT A



THE RIDE THROUGH CALIFORNIA WAS WITHOUT FURTHER INCIDENT! WHEN WE ARRIVED IN L.A., TERRY DEANE WAS WAITING AT THE STATION ACCOMPANIE BY WILTON AND HER MANAGER! I SPENT ONLY A FEW MINUTES IN CONVERSATION BEFORE LEAVING FOR POLICE HEAD-QUARTERS ...

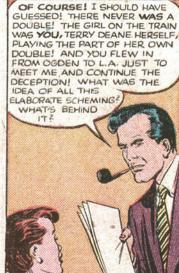
WHEN SHE LEFT WHY IS IT TRUE DIDN'T THE TRAIN AT OGDEN I WAS YOU HAVE THAT BARTON TRUSSED UP IN THEM SILVER WAS ARREST THAT















...SO YOU TRIED TO TALK SILVER OUT OF IT, AND HE TOLD YOU OFF! EVEN SHOWED YOU CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS ON YOUR FAMILY AND CONNECTIONS! ONLY DUNCAN KNEW ABOUT THOSE PAPERS...SO YOU PASSED THE WORD TO ART AS YOU WENT THROUGH THE TRAIN LAST NIGHT ..





... THAT'S WHY YOU

#### TPAY DOE

HE'S BUT NO! WE STILL RIGHT NEED HIS REPORT! YOU TALK TOO MUCH! GIVE HIM A FINELL!! CHANCE TO YOUR I'M GOING CHANGE IT AND SISTER TO SHUT SIGN IT! .. EVEN NEEDS ANY YOU UP HELP SHE FOR IF TERRY WAS IN SOMETHING, CAN GET GOOD! I HAD NO NOW! PART OF ..

SO WITH A GUN IN MY BACK I SAT DOWN TO WRITE THAT REPORT! I STALLED AND MADE MISTAKES! FINELLI HAD ME SLATED FOR A SLAB, BUT I STILL LIKE SOFT BEDS. AND I FIGURED HE WASN'T TOO SMART ...







WE WERE CLOSE TO THE DOOR OF AN ADJOINING ROOM! WHEN I SAW WILTON WAS NO MATCH FOR DRUKE I SWUNG AROUND, SHOVED WILTON THROUGH THE DOOR, AND SLAMMED IT AFTER US!





YOU'RE A LUCKY STIFF WHEW! THAT GARDNER! WE ALMOST WAS CLOSE! YOU'RE TURNED THOSE PRINTS OVER TO THE FBI WITH-WELCOME TO THIS MESS, OUT CHECKING THEM FIRST! THEY TOLD THE INSPECTOR STORY! WE OVERHEARD GRESHAM! ENOUGH TO CLEAR TAKE 'EM WILTON, BUT HE'LL AWAY! HAVE TO COME ALONG FOR QUESTIONING! THE END

THAT'S WHY TERRY

DEANE'S NAME CAME DOWN OFF THE MARQUEES AND DISAPPEARED FROM THE FAN MAGAZINES SHE'S IN JAIL NOW AS PLAIN

SARAH FINELLI! THE STUDIOS HUSHED AS MUCH OF THE STORY AS POSSIBLE, BUT SOME OF IT GOT OUT!

AS FOR ME, I WAS IN L.A. AND BROKE! MY CLIENT WAS IN THE CUNK, AND I HAD TO WIRE WENDY FOR THE REST OF THE BANK ACCOUNT TO GET HOME! DRUKE HAD PUT MY PAPERS BACK WHEN FINELLI TOLD HIM TO'DURING THE STRUGGLE IN THE BAGGAGE CAR, BUT HE HAD KEPT MOST OF MY MONEY!

IF IT HADN'T BEEN FOR THE CASE OF THE "DARLING DAUGHTER", THAT POPPED UP WHEN I GOT BACK TO NEW YORK, I'D BE OUT OF BUSINESS, BUT I'LL TELL YOU ABOUT THAT NEXT MONTH!

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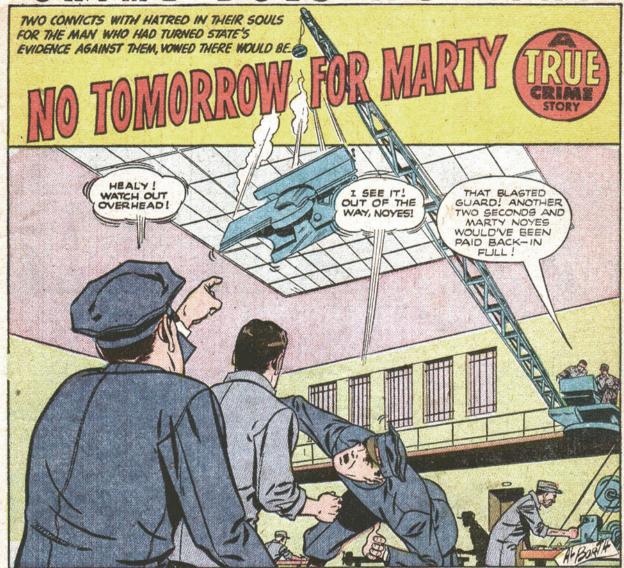
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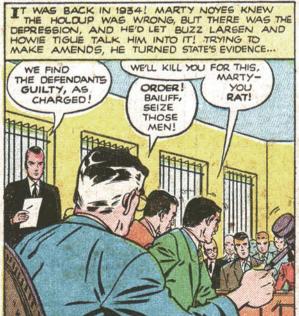
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YOU CAN FORGET
AND FORGIVE A
LOT OF THINGS IN
FIFTEEN YEARS—
BUT NOT WHEN
YOU'RE BEHIND
BARS! YOU
CAN'T FORGET
THE MAN WHO
PUT YOU THERE,
EVEN IF YOU'RE A
RAT AND HE'S A
PRETTY DECENT
GUY-OR MAYBE
BECAUSE OF THAT!
YOU JUST PLAN
FOR THE ZERO
HOUR! THAT'S THE
WAY BUZZ AND
HOWIE FELT ABOUT
MARTY NOYES,
AND THEIR FINAL
DEADLY HUNT FOR
HIM STARTED
THREE PEOPLE ON
A FLIGHT FROM
FEAR!







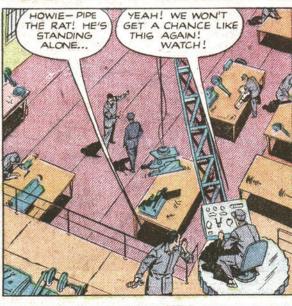
AT A LATER DATE, REFUSING HIS PRIVILEGE OF TRIAL BY JURY, MARTY NOYES THREW HIMSELF ON THE MERCY OF THE COURT ...

IN VIEW OF YOUR
PREVIOUS GOOD RECORD
AND OTHER EXTENUATING
CIRCUMSTANCES, PLUS
THE FACT THAT YOU
HAVE TESTIFIED FOR
THE STATE, I AM
SENTENCING YOU TO
A TWO-TO-FIVE YEAR
TERM...



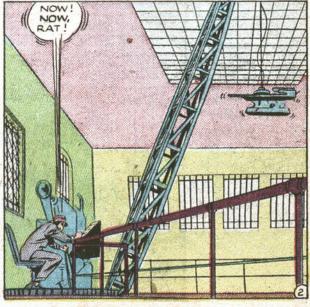


BUZZ LARSEN
AND HOWIE TIGUE
DREW FIFTEEN
TO TWENTY
YEAR STRETCHES!
IN THE BIG
HOUSE THEY
RARELY SAW
MARTY NOYES,
BUT WHEN
THEY DID,
THEY NEVER
MISSED AN
OPPORTUNITY
TO RENEW
THEIR
THREATS!
THEN ONE
DAY...





















BUT NEITHER LARSEN NOR TIGUE GOT ANOTHER CHANCE TO DO ANY MORE THAN HURL AN OCCASIONAL THREAT AT MARTY NOYES! WITH TIME OFF FOR MARTY WAS OUT IN LITTLE MORE THAN A YEAR! HE JOINED MIN AND EIGHT-YEAR OLD TOMMY IN THEIR HOME TOWN MAYSVILLE ...

UNDERSTAND ME, MARTY, I DON'T HOLD ONE MISTAKE AGAINST ANYBODY, AS LONG AS HE ADMITS HE WAS WRONG, AND IS WILLING TO MAKE AMENDS! BUT PEOPLE CHILDREN CAN BE TERRIBLY CRUEL AND WHEN TOMMY PA, DON'T ... IS AT SCHOOL ... WELL ... YOUR FATHER IS RIGHT, MIN! YOU KNOW IT I KNOW IT! BUT MAYSVILLE ISN'T THE ONLY PLACE IN THE WORLD!

YOUR WORLD, FOR THE TIME BEING, IS
WITHIN THE BORDERS OF THIS STATE!
KNOWING YOU WERE COMING HOME, I
TOOK THE LIBERTY OF LOCATING A
PLACE FOR YOU IN BRIARTON! YOU'VE
HAD SOME EXPERIENCE
IN THE RESTAURANT
BUSINESS, MARTY!
NOW, I'M NOT A
RICH MAN...
ANYTHING FROM
YOU' I KNOW HOW
HARD YOU'VE HAD
TO WORK FOR
A BUCK!

LET'S JUST SAY IT'S
FOR TOMMY, THEN! HE'S
NOT TO BLAME FOR
ANYTHING! YOU'LL MAKE
GOOD, MARTY! SOME
DAY YOU CAN PAY
ME BACK!

ARSEN, AND
ARSEN,

A MONTH
LATER —
MARTY'S
CAFE,
LOCATED ON
A HIGHWAY
ON THE
OUTSKIRTS
OF THE
CITY OF
BRIARTON,
WAS READY
FOR
BUSINESS...



IT LOOKS NO, MIN! IT'S HERE GOOD, MARTY! ONLY AS LONG AS WE OUR WHOLE CAN STAY! THERE ARE FUTURE IS A COUPLE OF MEN RIGHT WHO THINK I HAVE HERE! NO RIGHT TO BE HAPPY, OR EVEN TO LIVE!

YOU CAN'T TELL! THEIR LARSEN AND TIGUES THEY TERMS MAY BE SHORTENED! THEY MAY BE PAROLED! I DON'T WANT TO WORRY YOU, MIN, BUT I THINK YOU YOU THAT MUCH, DEAR ! BUT THEY CAN'T HURT US-SHOULD KNOW! UP THERE NOT FOR A IN THE BIG HOUSE, ALL LONG TIME! THEY COULD THINK OF WAS HOW TO GET ME ...

... ALL THEY OF WAS HOW TO GET MARTY NOYES! AND STRANGE-LY ENOUGH, THAT CON-SUMING DESIRE FOR REVENGE MADE LIFE IN PRISON BEARABLE FOR BUZZ LARSEN AND HOWIE TIGUE!

...HE'S OUT NOW,
MAYBE LAUGHING AT
US 'CAUSE WE'LL BE
ALMOST OLD MEN
WHEN WE COME OUTLAUGHING 'CAUSE
WE'LL SE BURIED FOR
FOURTEEN MORE
YEARS!

LET HIM LAUGH! LET HIM
GET ALL SETTLED NICE
AND COZY! HE'LL BE
FORTY—MAYBE HAVE
ENOUGH DOUGH TO REALLY
START ENJOYING LIFE—
THEN WE'LL CATCH UP
WITH HIM, AND HE
WON'T BE ANYTHING
ANY MORE—ONLY





MONOTONOUGLY, FOR LARSEN AND TIGUE!
TWICE IN 15 YEARS
THEY WERE REFUSED PAROLE! NOW THEE WERE UP AGAIN BEFORE THE BOARD! AFTER DUE CONSIDERATION, LARSEN WAS TURNED DOWN! AN HOUR LATER, TIGUE WAS GIVEN THE SAME ANSWER...







#### LATER THAT DAY ...

THOSE HEELS!
WHAT'S FIVE
MORE YEARS
OUT OF MY LIFE
MEAN TO THEM?
I'LL REMEMBER
EVERY ONE
OF 'EM!

THE GUY I'M
REMEMBERING IS
THE SKUNK WHO
PUT US HEREMARTY NOYES!
HOWIE, I GOT
TO GET THAT GUY!
I CAN'T WAIT
FIVE MORE YEARS!



YEAH? HOW? THIS CAN IS ALMOST AS HARD TO GET OUT OF AS A GRAVE! PIPE DOWN, AND LIGITEN! I HAD IT FIGURED SIX MONTHS AGO, BUT I WAS WAITING TO SEE IF MY PAROLLE WOULD



#### IN THE MACHINE SHOP THAT

IF WE MAKE IT OUT.
OF HERE, HOWIE, WE'LL
GO THE WHOLE WAY!
TWO SIDES OF THIS
BUILDING FORM
PART OF THE
WALL...

DON'T TALK SO MUCH AND GET DONE WITH THAT BEFORE A GUARD COMES

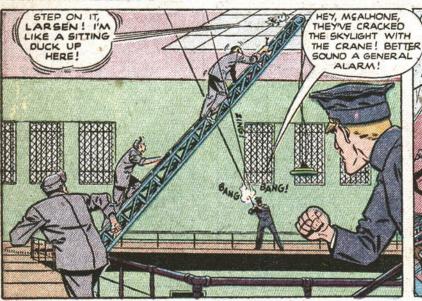




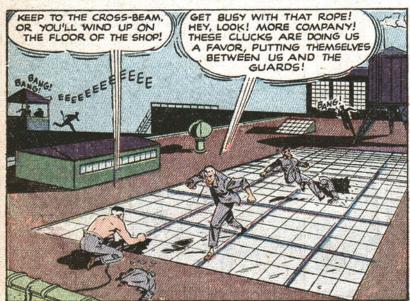














FEW HOURS LATER, NEWS OF THE ESCAPE WAS BROADCAST THROUGHOLT THE STATE, AND MARTY'S SLUMBERING FEAR SUDDENLY CAME ALIVE! WHAT SHOULD HE DO? HOW SHOULD HE MEET THIS CRISIS? HIS OWN FEELINGS OF GUILT, MINGLED WITH A SENSE OF RESPONSIBILITY TO HIS FAMILY, DICTATED HIS NEXT MOVE ...



.. LARSEN AND TIGUE BOTH

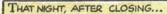
HAD BEEN REFUSED PAROLE

HERE, MARTY- NOT
AFTER SO LONG!
THEY/LL PROBABLY
TRY TO GET OUT
OF THE STATE...

YOU DON'T KNOW
THEM, DEAR! ALL
THEY'VE GOT LEFT
IS THEIR HATE FOR
ME! THINGS HAVE
BEEN GOING SO
WELL...LOOK, MIN,
WHY DON'T YOU
STAY HERE AND
I'LL GO IT
ALONE ...

THEY WOULDN'T COME





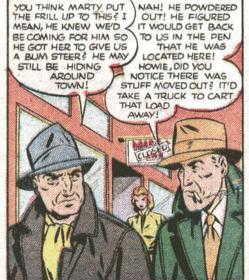
SO THAT'S WHY WE'VE NEVER
BEEN BACK TO MAYSVILLE, TOWNY!
I DIDN'T WANT YOU TO SUFFER
JUST BECAUSE I'D GOTTEN IN
TROUBLE ONCE! BUT I COULDN'T
TELL YOU TILL NOW! IT'S UP TO
YOU—AND LAURIE!

YOU AND LAURIE!
TALK IT OVER WITH I'LL GO WITH
HER IF YOU YOU AND
WANT! MOTHER, DAD!
BUT I CAN'T TELL
LAURIE! I
CAN'T!

THEY MOVED OUT OVERNIGHT, LOCK, STOCK, AND BARREL! SEVERAL DAYS LATER LAURIE FRANKLIN, WONDERING AT TOMMY'S ABSENCE CAME TO "MARTY'S MEALS"! SHE FOUND IT BOARDED UP ANY EVERYBODY GONE! TOMMY HAD LEFT WITHOUT A WORD, AND LAURIE WHY ...



YOU KNOW THEY WERE MARTY NOYES HERE FEW DAYS KNOW WHEN AGO! WAT HE LEFT THIS PLACE, AND WAS THE WHERE LAST I SAW HE'S OF THEM: I. I GONE? DON'T KNOW WHAT TO THINK-THEY'RE GONE AND THAT'S

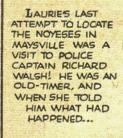


IF TOM NOVES HAD GIVEN ANY INDICATION THAT HE WAS TIRED OF HER, LAURIE FRANKLIN WOULD HAVE TRIED TO FORGET HIM! BUT SHE SENSED THAT THERE WAS ANOTHER REASON AND DETERMINED TO FIND THE BOY SHE LOVED, WENT TO HIS HOME TOWN, MAYSVILLE...





# CRIME DOES







IT'S SO HARD TO BELIEVE! MP NOVES SEEMS LIKE SUCH A FINE MAN! HE WORKS SO HARD! WHY SHOULD THEY LEAVE WITHOUT A WORD? IT WOULDN'T HAVE MADE ANY DIFFERENCE BETWEEN TOMMY AND ME! IT WASN'T HIS FAULT!

FUNNY THING, YOUR COMING IN ABOUT NOYES! HE TESTIFIED AGAINST TWO OTHER MEN, LARSEN AND TIGUE! IT GOT HIM A LIGHT SENTENCE, AND THEY WERE SENT UP FOR FIFTEEN-TO-TWENTY-YEARS! THEY'VE JUST ESCAPED FROM THE



ONE THING'S SURE, ANYWAY -NOYES WOULDN'T HAVE HOOKED UP WITH THEM AGAIN! THEY'D HAVE GUTS!

CAPTAIN! I'VE SEEN THESE MEN SOME-WHERE! I CAN'T ... YES! WHEN I WENT TO THE CAFE YESTERDAY AND MEN CAME ALONG AND WAS! OF COURSE THEY WERE OLDER THAN IN THESE PICTURES, BUT I'M SURE THEY



OH, I'VE GOT TO FIND TOWMY! I'VE GOT TO WARN HIS FATHER! DON'T YOU SEE, IF THEY WERE LOOKING FOR



YES, THEY'LL WANT TO

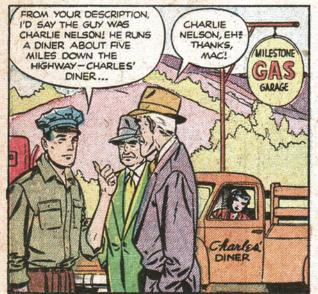
WHAT I CAN TO HELP

PAY HIM BACK! I'LL DO

YOU, MISS, BUT FOR ALL I KNOW, MARTY NOYES

MEANWHILE, NOYES FAMILY HAD MOVED HALF WAY ACROSS THE COUNTRY TO CALIFORNIA, WHERE THEY OPENED A NEW CAFE UNDER AN ASSUMED NAME! BUT ALL THIS MARTY'S PURSUERS LEARNED AS THEIR DEADLY HUNT CONTINUED THROUGH THE MONTHS! THEN ONE DAY ...







## DOES



I KNEW IT WOULDN'T LAST! MIN, YOU AND TOWNY STAY HERE! CALL THE POLICE AND TELL THEM THAT TWO ESCAPED CONNCTS ARE IN TOWN! I'LL TAKE IT ON THE LAM AND HOPE THEY'RE CAUGHT BEFORE THEY CATCH UP WITH ME! I CAN'T LET YOU GO THROUGH ANY MORE OF THIS!

WE'RE GOING WITH YOU, MARTY! TWO WEEKS AGO HARRY GRAVEN MADE YOU AN OFFER FOR THIS PLACE! I'LL CALL HIM, WHILE YOU RUN IN AND PACK!

A CERTIFIED CHECK FOR THE DINER WAS WAITING FOR THEM WHEN THEY REACHED HARRY GRAVEN'S PLACE IN SAN FERNANDO ONCE AGAIN THE NOYESES WERE ON THE RUN ...

IT JUST ISN'T RIGHT! WHAT KIND OF LIFE IS THIS FOR YOU AND TOMMY?

WHAT WOULD IT BE LIKE WITH-FIND ANOTHER PLACE AND WE'LL LEAVE THERE,



MEANWHILE. LAURIE FRANKLIN, ON A DETERMINED SEARCH FOR THE FAMILY OF THE BOY SHE LOVED, FOUND CHARLES' DINER, BUT NOW GRAVEN'S, AND HAD BEEN FOR WEEKS! SHE SPOKE WITH THE NEW PROPRIETOR ...

CHECK HAS ALREADY CLEARED? THEN YOU SMART IDEA, YOUNG HAVE IT BACK, MR. LADY! GRAVEN? IT SHOULD SUPPOSE HAVE THE NAME OF YOU WAIT THE BANK AND THE HERE, AND TOWN WHERE MR. I'LL GO NOYES, OR NELSON BACK TO AS HE NOW CALLS THE HOUSE HIMSELF, CASHED AND HAVE A LOOK!

THAT'S A

... YOU SAY THEIR

DANGED IF IT WASN'T RIGHT ON THE BACK OF THE CHECK! CASHED IN THE TOWN OF REDWOOD! THAT'S ABOUT 240 MILES NORTHWEST OF HERE ... JUST ONE BANK IN TOWN! OF COURSE, YOU CAN'T BE SURE THEY STAYED THERE!

OH, I HOPE THEY



THE NOVESES WEREN'T IN REDWOOD NOR IN A HALF DOZEN OTHER TOWNS WHERE LAURIE WAS ALWAYS TOLD THEY HAD "JUST LEFT! " BUT ONE DAY, IN THE BLACKROCK, WYOMING GENERAL STORE ...

I DON'T KNOW WHAT NAME THEY'RE JSING NOW, ONLY HEADING IN THIS YOUNG MAN 15 TWENTY-TWO.

THAT DESCRIPTION MIGHT FIT A LOT OF FOLKS MISS!

LAURIE AURIE FRANKLIN!







TWENTY MINUTES LATER, A POUNDING AT THE DOOR OF JUSTICE OF THE PEACE HERMAN TILFORD'S HOME INTERRUPTED THE CEREMONY...

WHY DO PEOPLE HAVE TO BARGE IN AT A TIME LIKE THIS! MARTHA, GO SEE WHO IT IS!

THAT'S ALL RIGHT, DEAR ... I'M NOT AFRAID ANY MORE!



SOMEBODY TOLD
US YOU HAVE A
VISITOR... A MAN
NAMED MARTY
NOYES! WE WANT
TO SEE HIM...
OUT HERE!

THERE'S A
WEDDING, GOING
ON! I'LL ASK THE
GENTLEMAN IF HE
WANTS TO SEE
YOU! OTHERWISE,
YOU'LL HAVE TO

WAIT!

...SO FOR THE LAST
THREE MONTHS THEY'VE
BEEN HUNTING MARTY!
THEY'VE SWORN TO
KILL HIM! OH, ISN'T
THERE A BACK WAY
OUT? CAN'T YOU
CALL THE SHERIFF?

TSK! TSK! THAT

VE IS VERY UN
FORTUNATE!

I KNOW HOW

YOU FEEL, MR.

NOYES, BUT

YOU SHOULD

HAVE ASKED

FOR POLICE PRO-

TECTION AS SOON AS
YOU CAME TO BLACKROCK
AS FOR GETTING OUT OF
HERE, YOU'O ONLY HAVE TO
RUN SOME MORE! BETTER
LET ME HAVE A TALK
WITH THOSE GENTS
OUT
THERE!

SO YOU'RE LARSEN GET OUT OF AND TIGUE! SEEMS THE WAY, YOU AS HOW I HEARD DUMB HICK! YOU FELLERS ARE WANTED SOMEWHERE WE WANT

FOR JAILBREAK, SO MARTY
I RECKON I'LL NOYEG, AND
HAVE TO PLACE WE'RE GOING
YOU UNDER IN AFTER HIM!
ARREST! NOW CLEAR

OUT, OR WE'LL BLAST YOU FIRST!

FELLERS LIKE YOU
JUST AREN'T ANY



OH, HERMAN, I WAS JUST SHOWING THEM YOUR PRIZES! NOW THIS ONE IS FOR THIRD PLACE IN THE NATIONAL PISTOL MATCHES...THEN HERE IS THE LOCAL RAPID SHOOT...

HUMPH! FOR TEN YEARS
RUNNING I WON THE WESTERN
PISTOL CONFERENCE!
THEN AT THE NATIONAL
MATCHES — WHOOGH! I SNEEZED
WHEN I PULLED THE TRIGGER!
THIRD PLACE! WELL, MAYBE
NEXT TIME!



IT'S ALL OVER, MARTY! WE'RE FREE AT LAST!

LETS SEE, WHERE
WERE WE ? I WANT
TO GET THIS OVER
WITH QUICK, IF YOU
DON'T MIND! I GOT
SOME CLEANING UP
TO DO OUT THERE
ON THE FRONT
PORCH!





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Dear Reader:

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I would like to commend you for your good work on Crime Does Not Pay. If more young and old people would read your magazine, there would not be as much crime today. It teaches boys and girls that the law is for their own good and that crime does not pay.

Frances Hancack Metcalf Georgia

I have read many issues of your inspiring book, Crime Does Not Pay, and I think it is swell. Most of all I enjoy Whodunnit because you have a chance to solve the mystery. Anyone who reads your book will never want to lead a life of crime.

> Yvonne Lee P.O. Box 3 Portland, Tenn.

May I be one of your many fans to congratulate you on your fine comic, Crime Does Not Pay. A finer job has never been done in showing the ugliness and heartbreak crime causes. There are no truer words than—Crime Does Not Pay. When my daughter is old enough to read, I shall allow her to read every issue of this magazine.

John Freeman 360 Ellis Ave. Jackson, Miss. Your magazine, Crime Does Not Pay, has become a form of insurance which we've taken to help prevent future juvenile delinquency. I have been reading your comic for some time. I want to congratulate you on your fine work in teaching boys and girls to have respect for the law.

Mrs. Della Allison Rte. 1 Howe, Okla.

Crime Does Not Pay comics are the best comics I have ever read. I have read three or four comics, and I like them very much. Our teacher brought some issues of this comic to school to read to us the day we had a lesson on Better Americans. It was a very good lesson, and I hope that every boy and girl will read Crime Does Not Pay and become better Americans.

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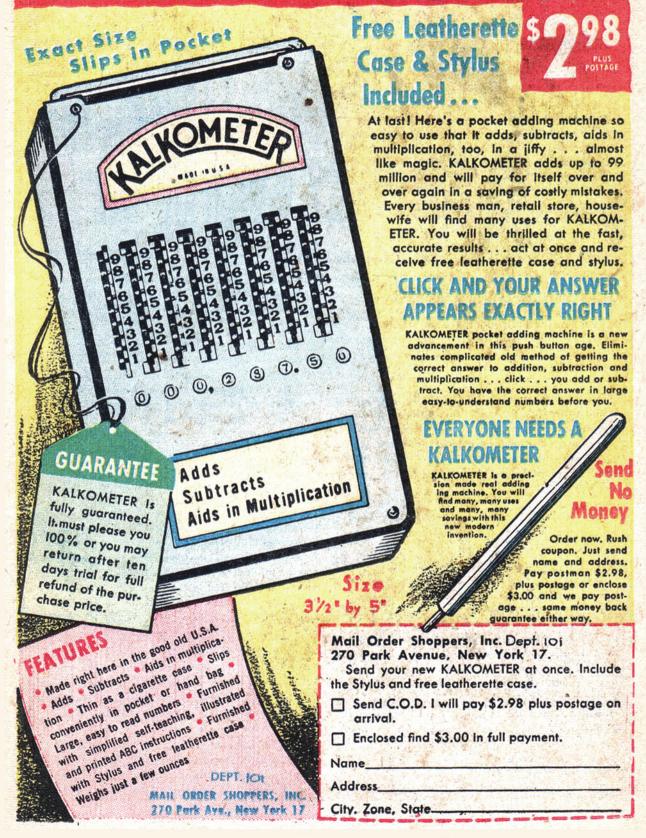
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> Carolyn Wilson Hanover, Arkansas

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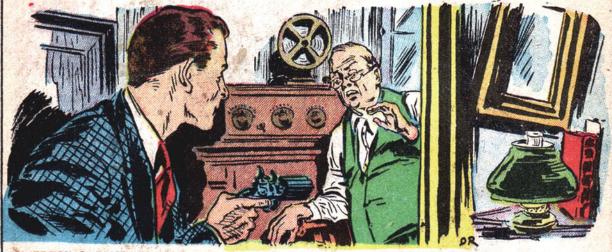


# New Pocket Adding Machine



He Planned the Murder with Infinite Care! He Thought of Every Little Detail! And Yet He Left...

# TOO MANY CLUES



TERRY GALTON watched old Udell Taggart hobble around the antique shop, closing it for the night. Old Taggart owned the business and he slept in the back room. For months, he'd been too feeble to go down into the basement where the office was, so Jerry, his only clerk, had handled that work for him.

This had given Jerry his chance at larceny on a grand scale. He'd sold off choice antiques at quick, bargain prices. For every dollar Taggart gained, Jerry was pocketing five or more. Jerry had kept a set of very phony books, but now inventory was coming up, and he hadn't expected old Taggart to last this long.

Jerry had rigged things well enough to fool heirs, executors, administrators, auditors and such, but not old Taggart. He knew the stock by memory, as Jerry did. So tonight would have to be Taggart's last.

Jerry stepped into the back room and opened a closet door. On a shelf was an antique chest, a ship's medicine cabinet. A key showed beneath it; Jerry took the key and unlocked the cabinet. From it he removed a quaint old pistol with six barrels, the type termed a "pepper-box." The gun was loaded; Taggart kept it that way in case of burglars. Jerry closed the cabinet, locked it and pocketed the key. The gun beneath his coat, Jerry went out through the shop and down the basement stairs, calling to Taggart as he went:

"I've got to make a delivery, Mr. Taggart. I can't wait until your nephew Alvin stops by. He's coming

to collect your life insurance premium, remember? I'll bring up the policy like I always do, so you can check the number when he gives you the receipt."

In the basement Jerry opened a desk drawer which bore a label "Insurance" written in faded ink. He found the correct policy, one of several that Taggart had taken out through his nephew Alvin. Jerry left the old-fashioned revolver in the drawer and went upstairs. On the way he picked up a wrapped package, and, near the front door, he handed the insurance policy to old Taggart, reminding him again about Alvin.

It had been snowing all afternoon, laying a thick, flaky coating on the cement walk that went around the antique shop, past the window of old Taggart's bedroom. This pleased Jerry when he noted it. It fitted with his scheme of things; namely, that Taggart's nephew Alvin would apparently be the last person to see his Uncle Udell alive.

the package to a distant customer. So he stopped to eat at a lunch counter where he often went, and read the early edition of the next day's newspaper. He speculated on the stories later editions might carry about the "suicide" of old man Taggart. That was how nicely Jerry had planned things.

Jerry reached the antique shop at eight o'clock and rang at the front door until Taggart came and opened it. Slapping his arms and stamping the snow from his feet, Jerry observed that there were no passers-by. Then he stepped inside.

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"Brought you a cash payment, Mr. Taggart," said Jerry, tapping his inside pocket. "Wait until I enter it in the book and I'll bring the money up to your room."

But down in the basement, Jerry made no attempt to enter the amount in the book. He opened the insurance drawer, took out the gun that lay beside the stack of envelopes containing policies and receipts. He went up to the shop, saw that Taggart had bolted the front door, as was his practice. With a grim smile, Jerry eased into the back room, found old Taggart listening to the radio.

The pepper-box revolver let go with one solid blast.

Jerry wiped the handle of the gun, planted it in Taggart's scrawny, lifeless hand. He opened the closet door, unlocked the ship's medicine cabinet with its key, which he left in the lock. He closed and bolted the door of the room on the inside, took the newspaper from his pocket, laid some sheets on the window sill and put the rest in the wastebasket.

Next, Jerry brought out a length of thin fish line. He unlatched the window, opened it, looped the line over the window catch. He stopped for a moment to put on a pair of gloves, then climbed across the sill, dropped to the snow below. From the ground, he reclaimed the sheets of newspaper he had spread to prevent tell-tale marks on the sill.

Jerry now drew down the window sash, pulled the loop of fish line. Through the crack between the halves of the window, the line drew the latch shut. Jerry tugged on the line; it came through the crack and he wound it up.

While he pocketed the fish line, he was moving backward toward the front door, following the snow-covered sidewalk. Arriving at the door, Jerry turned around and retraced his steps, carefully planting his feet in the prints ahead of him, the slight light from the street and Taggart's back window giving him all the visibility needed. At the window, he planked his hands on the outside sill and peered through the pane, meanwhile champing the snow with his feet. Then, he turned, walked around to the front and went directly to a corner drugstore, where he made an excited telephone call.

Inspector Alan Mac Gregor of homicide came to view the scene that Jerry Galton talked about over the telephone. He broke into the premises, noting the bolted doors on the way. Mac Gregor saw the suicide evidence of the unlocked chest, the open closet door and the ancient gun in Taggart's hand. The fact that Udell Taggart had committed suicide

right after paying an insurance policy was a typical event. But it could also hide a murder motive, so the inspector called old Taggart's nephew, Alvin.

Jerry repressed a smile as he listened to that call. Mac Gregor would learn that old Taggart hadn't left his clerk Jerry Galton a single cent. Indeed, Jerry would be out a job because of the old man's death. Over the phone, Mac Gregor told Alvin of the suicide and the finding of the weapon. Then, Mac Gregor listened intently.

The call finished, the inspector spoke in a low tone to a waiting sergeant, who promptly went out. Jerry watched nervously while Mac Gregor rummaged from closet to window to wastebasket and finally out to the basement stairs, where he beckoned for Jerry to come on down, just as the sergeant rejoined them.

"Twenty-two going," said the sergeant, "fifteen coming."

Mac Gregor nodded, but reserved comment until he opened the desk drawer in the basement. From an envelope, he pulled something that Jerry recognized with horrified eyes. It was the very policy that Jerry had taken up and given to old Taggart! Out of its folds fluttered a receipt that Mac Gregor promptly caught.

"You weren't here to put it back where it belonged, Galton," the inspector told Jerry, in a cold tone. "So Taggart sent his nephew downstairs with the policy. In the drawer, Alvin saw the gun that I mentioned over the phone. In his feeble state, Taggart couldn't have come down here, so you must have had it ready."

"Now wait ...," began Jerry. "Maybe Alvin ..."

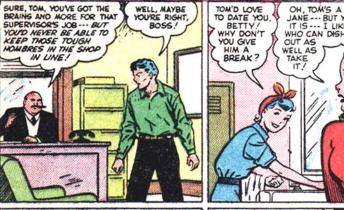
"Alvin had gone before six o'clock," interposed Mac Gregor, "so he couldn't have left the early morning edition of the newspaper that I saw in the wastebasket. You weren't as cautious as you thought, even in the matter of your footprints, Galton. When a man walks backward, his steps are short, so your prints total twenty-two going to the window where you say you looked in and saw the body; while there are only fifteen coming back."

The handcuffs were clamping on Jerry's wrists, but he didn't feel them. He was thinking of footsteps—his own—but not those in the snow.

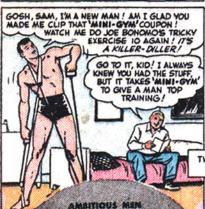
Jerry Galton was thinking of the thirteen steps he'd soon be taking to the hangman's gallows, the sort from which there would be no returning.

THE END

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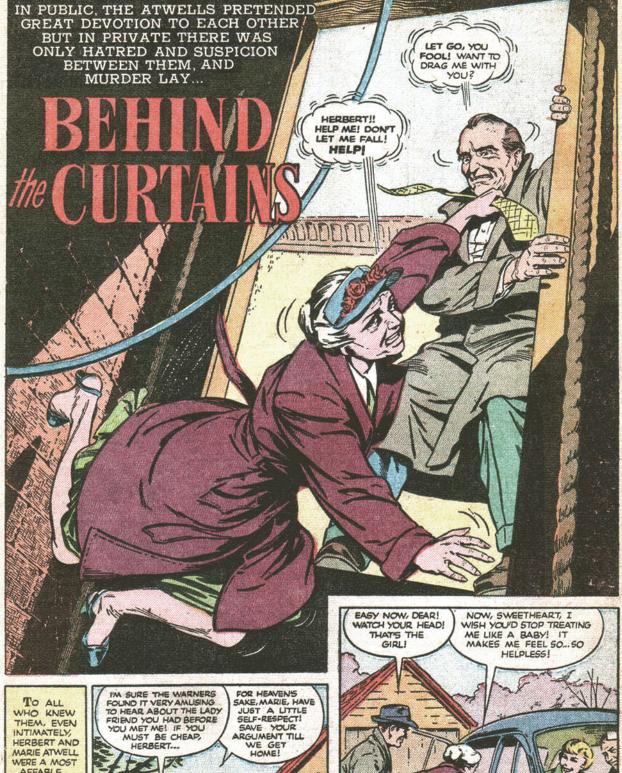
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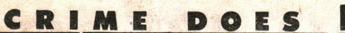
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BE HAPPY LIKE
THAT GEORGE!
WE WERE-ONCE!
HE TREATS HER
WITH SUCH
TENDERNESS;
SUCH UNDER-

STANDING ...

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WERE THE CENTER OF THE
UNIVERSE! IT MAKES A
MAN FEEL GOOD TO KNOW
HE MEANS THAT MUCH TO
SOMEONE! I DON'T KNOWI GUESS WE JUST LOST
SOMETHING-SOMEWHERE
ALONG THE LINE!

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WE NEVER HAD IT! OH,
WELL, I DON'T EXPECT
YOU TO START BEING LIKE
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IF YOU DID!

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ADORABLE? WELL, IM
WAITING! GO ON,
AND DROP DEAD!

PAY



HOWEVER, NO SOONER WERE THE ATWELLS IN THE PRIVACY OF THEIR OWN APARTMENT...

FURTHERMORE,
MISTER ATWELL,
THE NEXT TIME
YOU BELITTLE ME
IN FRONT OF
ANYONE, I'LL
SLAP YOUR FACE,
RIGHT THEN

YOU DO, AND IT'LL BE THE LAST FACE YOU'LL EVER SLAP! IF YOU WEREN'T SO BUSY TWISTING EVERYTHING I SAY INTO A IF YOU WERE THE GENTLEMAN
YOU TRY TO MAKE OTHERS THINK
YOU ARE, YOU WOULDN'T
EMBARRASS ME
IN FRONT OF
MY FRIENDS! GENTLEMAN TILL

I MARRIED YOU!

ALL IVE HAD FOR THE
LAST FOURTEEN YEARS
IS NAG, NAG, NAG! HOW
COULD ANYONE REMAIN
A GENTLEMAN BEING
MARRIED TO A NEUROTIC
OLD CRAB?

YOU HAVE NO RIGHT TO SAY THINGS LIKE THAT! Y. YOU... I. I'VE GOT A PAIN-MY HEART! HERB, PLEASE:

CAPSULES!

-IVE

AGO THE DOCTOR TOLD YOU TO BE CAREFUL OF YOUR HEART—AND FOR TEN YEARS YOU'VE BEEN USING IT AS A WEAPON! WELL, I'M THROLIGH PAMPERING YOU!

IT ALWAYS ENDS THIS WAY

DOESN'T IT? TEN YEARS

THROUGH PAMPERING YOU!
GO GET YOUR OWN
CAPSULES!



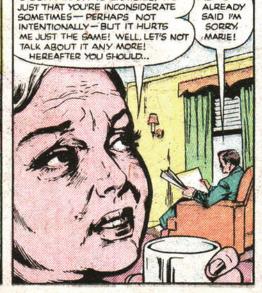


I DON'T WANT TO CRITICIZE! IT'S

SA SOLES!

BUT A FEW MOMENTS LATER...

I'M SORRY
MARIE!
HERBERT!



BUT HERBERT WASHT
REALLY SORRY! USELES
OLIARREUNG AND BICKERING LINNERVED HIM! HE
WOULD SULKILY NURSE
HIS BITTERNESS
AGAINST MARIE, AND
SILENTLY WISH HER
DEAD! AND RECENTLY
HE HADN'T BEEN
GETTING OVER HIS
GRUDGES! THEY STAYED
WITH HIM, AND FOR
RELIEF HE WOULD
ESCAPE INTO DAYDREAMS...







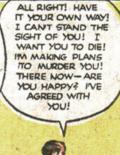


OH, NOTHING! I MIGHT
AG WELL NOT BE HERE
FOR ALL IT MATTERS TO
YOUJ I MIGHT AG WELL BE
DEAD AG BURIED ALIVE
WITH A MAN WHO CAN'T
FIND ANYTHING TO TALK
ABOLIT! THAT WOULD
RELIEVE YOU, WOULDN'T IT?
YOU'D BE FREE... WELL,
YOU MAY NOT HAVE

WHY DID YOU SAY THAT?
DON'T BE RIDICULOUS,
MARIE! CAN'T I HAVE
EVEN A PRIVATE
THOUGHT? MUST YOU
PICK MY MIND CLEAN?
AS FOR YOUR HEART,
IT WILL SEE YOU
THROUGH! I WOULDN'T
EVEN WORRY
ABOUT IT!



NO, I WOULDN'T
EXPECT YOU TO
WORRY! FROM THE
DAY YOU LEARNED I
WAS A SICK WOMAN,
YOU WANTED TO GET
RID OF ME! BUT DON'T
COUNT ON IT! I'LL
OUTLIVE YOU, MR.
ATWELL—UNLESS
YOU'VE MADE
PLANS...



HUS DID THE DISTRUSTFUL WOMAN PLANT A NEW IDEA IN HER HUSBAND'S MIND! FOR. ALTHOUGH HERBERT ATWELL HAD LONG DREAMED OF FREEDOM FROM MARIE, MURDER NEVER HAD OCCURRED TO HIM AS A MEANS OF REALIZING THAT DREAM! NOW, HERBERT SET TO WORK ON A PATIENT PLAN ...



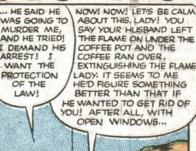
MERBERT LEFT FOR WORK, AND IN A FEW MINUTES MARIE WAS DRIFTING OFF TO SLEEP AGAIN, WHEN...

































THE FOLLOWING MORNING, AFTER HERBERT HAD LEFT FOR HIS OFFICE ...

AND I JUST HUNG ON TO HERBERT'S TIE FOR ALL I WAS WORTH! SO YOU SEE, HE DIDN'T REALLY SAVE -JUST HAULED ME BACK SO I'D LET GO OF HIS TIE! TRIED TO BLAME IT ON THE SELF-SERVICE ELEVATOR, HE DID!

MAYBE WE'D BETTER HAVE A TALK WITH OUR HUSBAND! WHAT'S HIS BUSINESS ADDRESS, MRS. ATWELL?

MY ... WIFE? ARE TO GET TO THE POINT, MR. MARIE AND I ATWELL. LADY WHO HAVE BEEN HAPPILY SAYS SHE IS MARRIED FOR YOUR WIFE, HAS OVER FOURTEEN COMPLAINED YEARS! MATTER TO US TWICE OF FACT, WE THAT YOU NEVER EVEN MUST BE HER! MISTAKEN GENTLEMEN!



YOU LIVE AT 1887 FRANKUN BOULEVARD, APARTMENT 7J? THIS LADY SAYS SHE HAS A WEAK HEART, AND THAT YOU THREATENED TO MURDER HER! IN FACT, SHE TOLD US THAT LAST NIGHT YOU TRIED TO PUSH HER DOWN AN ELEVATOR SHAFT ...

THAT'S THE RIGHT ADDRESS, BUT IT JUST DOESN'T SOUND LIKE MY WIFE! YOU CAN ASK ANY OF OUR PARTICULARLY DEVOTED TO EACH OTHER! AS FOR PUSHING HER DOWN A SHAFT, WELL, WE WEREN'T OUT OF OUR APARTMENT! I CAN'T UNDER-



TELL ME, MRS, ATWELL DOES HAVE HEART TROUBLE AR ATWELL MR. ROGERS, AND A HAS YOUR WIFE BEEN PHYSICIAN HAS UNDER A PRESCRIBED SOME-OH, I THINK I SEE DOCTOR'S CARE WHAT YOU MEAN! NO, THERE'S NOTHING REALLY WRONG WITH MARIE THAT WAY! SHE'S SOMEWHAT-ER-NEUROTIC, PERHAPS! I TRY TO UNDERSTAND, SO WE DO GET ALONG FINE!

SEE! SORRY OF COURSE! I'M GLAD YOU TO HAVE TROUBLED CAME, GENTLEMEN! ONE THING, THOUGH, MARIE YOU, MR. ATWELL! BUT YOU KNOW WOULD FEEL TERRIBLE IF HOW IT IS .. SHE THOUGHT I KNEW! WON'T MENTION YOUR VISIT AND IF SHE SHOULD COME TO YOU AGAIN WITH SUCH ACCUSATIONS, I'D APPRECIATE IT IF YOU WERE TO HUMOR HER! PERHAPS IT EASES HER MIND!

NEUROTIC, MY EYE! THAT DAME IS NUTS, JOHN! POOR GUY SACRIFICES HIS WHOLE LIFE LOOKING AFTER A SICK WOMAN, AND SOON AS HIS BACK IS TURNED, SHE KNIFES HIM! AND STILL HE WANTS TO PROTECT HER! SHE OUGHT TO BE IN A BOOBY HATCH!

AW, IT'S NOT AS BAD AS ALL THAT! YOU'RE A BACHELOR, MARY-YOU DON'T KNOW HOW IT IS TO FALL IN LOVE AND STAY THAT WAY! YOU OVERLOOK A LOT OF THINGS EVEN PECULIARITIES!



# CRIME DOES NOT PAY ROM THEN ON, MARIE ATWELL'S OND AND ANY SHOULD SEE YOU SEE YOU SHOULD THE SYMPATHY WAS ARS - BUT THE SYMPATHY WAS TIME AFTER TO KILLYOU'S OH, DON'T TIME AFTER TO KILLYOU'S OH, DON'T TO KILLYOU'S OH, DON'T BOTHERING US - FOR SKEPTICS NO



BUT WHY SHOULD

MR ATWELL WANT SEE YO

TO KILL, YOU? OH,

I KNOW ABOUT
THE THIRTY
THOUSAND-DOLLAR
POLICY-AND IT'S
A GOOD MOTIVE BUT YOUR
HUSBAND MAKES
A BETTER THAN
AVERAGE LIVING!
HE DOESN'T
NEED THE
MONEY.



WELL, THAT'S THAT!

MAYBE SHE'LL STOP
BOTHERING US—FOR
A WHILE, AT LEAST!

YOU WERE RIGHT,
MARV! A WOMAN
LIKE THAT COULD
DRIVE A MAN OUT
OF HIS MIND! I
DON'T SEE HOW
ATWELL CAN TAKE
JUST WAITING
AROUND FOR
HER TO KICK OFF
SO HE CAN
COLLECT THE
INSURANCE,
BUT HE'LL

WHO'S THE SKEPTICE NO, JOHN, HERBERT ATWELL IS ONE OF THOSE RARE BIRDS-A LOYAL GUY, A DEVOTED HUSBAND! HIS WIFE MAY BE OFF HER ROCKER BUT YOU'LL NOTICE SHE ISN'T LEAVING HIM! OH, NO! SHE NEEDS HIM TO TAKE CARE OF HER! WHAT A LIFE!



MARIE
ATWELL
HAD CRIED
WOLF ONCE
TOO OFTEN—
EXACTLY AS
HERBERT HAD
KNOWN SHE
WOULD! NOT
THAT HE
WOULDN'T
HAVE BEEN
SATISFIED
TO SEE HER

OF THOSE
"ACCIDENTS",
BUT HIS
ORIGINAL
SCHEME—
THAT WAS
THE ONE HE
COUNTED ON!

FEW DAYS ...

PERISH IN

YOU SEE, MY DARLING, I'VE THAT'S WHY I LET MARIE HERSELF LOVE YOU, HERBERT CONVINCE THE POLICE THAT NOT JUST FOR SHE'S OUT OF HER HEAD! YOUR LOOKS OR YOUR THIRTY THEY'LL BELIEVE HER CAPABLE OF ANYTHING-THOUSAND DOLLARS! I INCLUDING SUICIDE ... CLEVER, EH? POISON IN ADMIRE YOUR MIND! ONE OF HER CAPSULES! SEE ? PLL BE OUT FOR A WALK, AND WHEN I COME BACK I'LL FIND MARIE DEAD!

BUT MARIE NO LONGER MERELY SUSPECTED HER HUSBAND-SHE KNEW HE INTENDED TO MURDER HER, AND WATCHED HIS EVERY MOVE WITH FEAR AND APPREHENSION...



NOW, DEAR, YOU KNOW YOU DON'T AIMAYS TAKE CREAM! BUT I'LL GET IT FOR YOU...

















A FEW HOURS LATER, DETECTIVES ROGERS AND BOYLE, ABOUT TO PAGE THE ATWELL'S APARTMENT HOUSE, DECIDED, OUT OF SHEER CURIOSITY, TO DROP IN AND SEE HOW THE COUPLE WAS GETTING ALONG...









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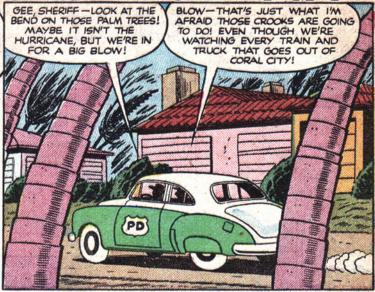
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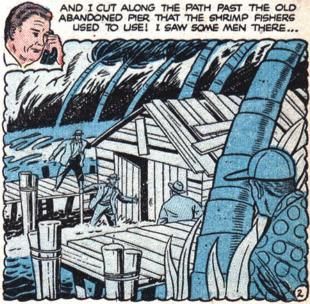


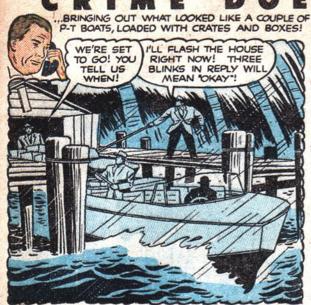




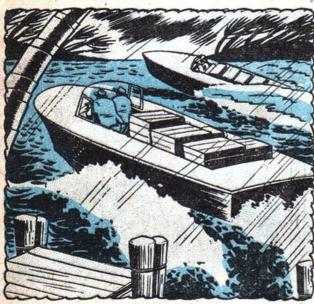


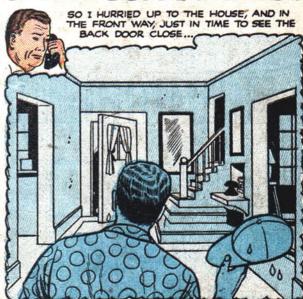














THAT CALL WAS CUT OFF JUST AS
THURLOW WAS GOING TO TELL ME WHO
MANAGED THOSE ROBBERIES! THE MOB
GOT AWAY WITH THE STUFF, AHEAD OF
THE STORM, BUT IF WE NAIL THE
LEADER, WE'LL FIND OUT ALL WE
NEED TO KNOW! COME ON!

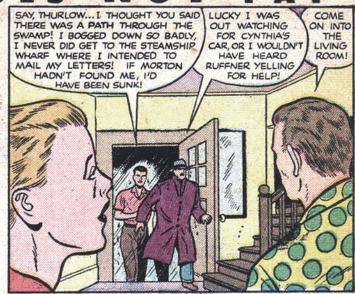


OH, HELLO, MCINTOSH! I'M HAVING TROUBLE WITH THE PHONE! APPARENTLY IT'S BEEN CUT OFF!

I WOULDN'T BE SURPRISED, SIR! I NOTICED THE WIRE'S WERE SWAYING BADLY! I'VE BEEN OUT BOARDING UP THE GARAGE WINDOWS LIKE YOU TOLD ME TO DO!























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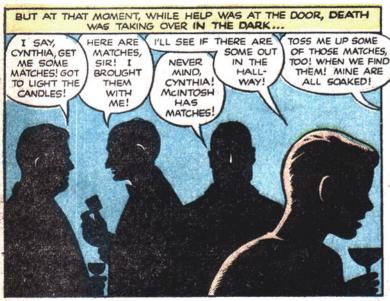
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OKAY.

SHERIFF!

I'VE GOT



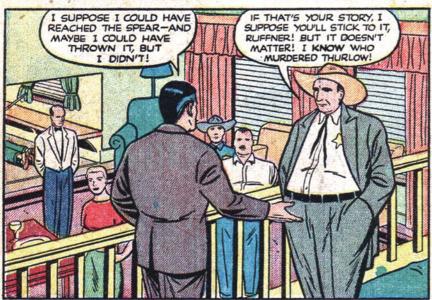














MEN YOU KNOW THE CTRIC CHAIR, THE CORREES OF CHEES GAME—WHEN TALE ROBBERY GANG—WHE SHRUCE IT OFF; SAY, THE RESIDENTS OF THE CHEES GAME—WHEN OF STILL TALK OF SHERIFF RHOUSE IT OFF; SAY, OFFICE OF CHEES WORLD BY THE RESIDENTS OF CHEES WORLD BY THE RESULT OF THE CHEES OF THE CHAIR, THE CHORD YOU WELL YOU WE WELL YOU WE WELL YOU WE WELL YOU WE WELL YOU WE WELL YOU WELL YOU WELL YOU WELL YOU WELL YOU WELL YOU WELL YOU



THAT LEAVES JUST YOU, MORTON!
AS SOON AS MCINTOSH LEFT THE
KITCHEN, YOU DUCKED IN, PULLED
THE SWITCH AND SUEEKED OVER
THE SWITCH AND SUEEKED OVER
TO THE LINING ROOM TO GRAB THE
SOFEK AND MURDER THURLOW—
SO HE COULDN'T NAME YOU AS
THE BIG SHOT IN THE
ROBBERY RING!



THURLOW WAS STANDING FERE AT THE MANTEL ABOUT TO LIGHT THE CANDLES! THIS SPECONY RAIL FROM THE SPEAR COULDN'T CANDLES!



YOU'RE CLEAR, MISS KANE! YOU RE COLLDN'T HAVE GONE TO THE KITCHEN TO PULL THE SWITCH COULDN'T HAVE MUNDERED THURLOW, MCINTOSH, BECAUSE THURLOW, MCINTOSH, MCI





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